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- 1. EMBASSY OFFICER RELAYED U.S. POSITION PER PARA 5 REFTEL JUNE 18 TO DR. HLADIK IN ENERGY SECTION, AUSTRIAN TRADE MINISTRY. HLADIK OFTEN REPRESENTS TRADE MINISTRY IN IEA MEETINGS.
- 2. HE ASSURED US U.S. VIEWS, AS SUMMARIZED REFTEL, WOULD BE CAREFULLY CONSIDERED WITHIN GOA AND HE WILL TRY TO GIVE US INDICATION OF GOA STANCE IN ADVANCE OF JUNE 30 MEETING. SPEAKING PERSONALLY, HLADIK BELIEVED IT WOULD NOT BE WISE TO TRY TO SET MSP LEVEL AT JUNE 30 MEETING. HE BELIEVED HOWEVER MECHANISM OR PROCESS BY WHICH ACTUAL LEVEL OF MSP WOULD LATER BE SET SHOULD BE AGREED UPON AT JUNE 30 MEETING. HE AGREED ALSO THAT AT THIS MEETING, A RANGE WITHIN WHICH MSP WOULD LATER BE DETERMINED SHOULD BE DISCUSSED AND, IF POSSIBLE, AGREED UPON.
- 3. AUSTRIAN WIEW IS THAT MSP SHOULD BE SUBSTANTIALLY BELOW MARKET PRICE. HE NOTED IN THIS CONNECTION THAT OPEC MAY SET NEW OIL PRICES IN OCTOBER, AND HE OBSERVED THAT ANY OIL PRICE INCREASE SHOULD BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION BEFORE MSP IS SET. HE DED NOT BELIEVE, HOWEVER, THAT PRECISE MSP SHOULD BE FIXED UNTIL AFTER THERE HAS BEEN SOME PROGRESS IN DIALOGUE WITH PRODUCERS. (THIS REFLECTS CONTINUING OGA CONCERN TO AVOID IF POSSIBLE ANY CONFRONTATION WITH OIL PRODUCERS.) HE WAS NONCOMMITAL ON WHETHER A SPECIFIC DATE FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF MSP LEVEL COULD BE ACHIEVED AT JUNE 30-JULY 1 MEETING.
- 4. HLADIK ALSO REPEATED LONG-STANDING GOA POSITION THAT SECURITY OF SUPPLY SHOULD BE FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS AND PRICE SECOND.BUCHANAN

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